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Title:	<b>LIGHTWEIGHT VALVE</b>		

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2009, please reconsider the above-identified patent application based on the following: